Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Attn: Security Group, Licensing & Review Crystal Park #5 - Suite 3D07 2451 Crystal Drive Arlington, Virginia 22202

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Dear Sir:

This is to notify you, on behalf of the agency who caused the Secrecy Order to be issued on the below-identified patent application, that an affirmative determination has been made, on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy, that the national interest requires that the invention continue to be kept secret and that the grant of a patent continue to be withheld.

Serial No.:

07/926,199

Filed:

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Inventor:

PAUL M. DUNN

Title:

SEMI-CLOSED CYCLE BRAYTON POWER SYSTEM WITH

DIRECT HEAT TRANSFER

Prosecuted by: (X) Govt () Contractor () Unknown

(Navy Case 73348)

Sponsor:

NUWC

The Current Secrecy Order expiration date is 2/20/2005.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the Secrecy Order be renewed.

TIFFANY A. MCNAIR By direction of

Chief of Naval Research